

newsline extra

A Missouri State Library news service

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Newsline Extra features time-sensitive information about State Library programs and current news of interest to the Missouri library community.

Free training available for early childhood development

Libraries across Missouri have the opportunity to participate in free *Winning Teams* early childhood development workshops from RISE Learning Solutions. *Winning Teams* is a 27-hour course for teachers, parents, and other educators covering the care and education of children from birth to age six. The workshop is split into three nine-hour series:

- **February 17, 24, and March 2, 2004 – “Guiding Behavior”:** Presents effective strategies for working with challenging behaviors while increasing adults’ confidence and competence in guiding the behavior of young children.
- **March 9, 16, and 23, 2004 – “Nurturing the Young Learner”:** Focuses on understanding developmentally appropriate practices, which in turn helps children start school ready to learn.
- **April 13, 20, and 27, 2004 – “Learning to Read and Write”:** Helps parents and teachers learn how to support the development of early literacy skills in young children both at home and in childcare settings.

These workshops will be held at 49 sites across the state, with local facilitators opening the sessions, running the workshop video, and organizing workshop exercises. Each session goes from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

The latter two workshops serve especially well as valuable introductions to early literacy skills, information which library staff can incorporate in the development of preschool story times and other programs for young children and their families.

Library directors should also keep in mind the marketing opportunities these sessions provide. Promote these sessions to parents and caregivers that visit the library and reinforce that public libraries play a vital role in the early literacy development of children. The State Library has provided public libraries with flyers advertising the workshops, so please make them available to patrons.

Registration information, workshop sites, and more details are available at <http://www.sos.mo.gov/library/development/services/winningteams/>.

Winning Teams is made possible by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, the Missouri State Library, the Missouri Child Care Resource and Referral Network, the Bureau of Child Care, the Parents as Teachers National Center, the Association for the Education of Young Children – Missouri, and Missouri Head Start – State Collaboration Office.

For more information about *Winning Teams*, please contact Nancee Dahms-Stinson at nancee.dahms-stinson@sos.mo.gov or (800) 325-0131, ext. 5.

Partnerships workshops deadline coming soon

The registration deadline for the 2004 Sustaining and Building Partnerships workshops is Monday, February 9, 2004. The workshop is designed to enhance your library's ability to maintain partnerships with community groups, businesses, lawmakers, and other key audiences. Attendees from the first two workshops are particularly encouraged to complete the series. However, new attendees are also welcome to register.

- February 18, Columbia Public Library, Daniel Boone Regional Library
- February 20, Schlafly Branch, St. Louis Public Library
- March 2, The Library Center, Springfield-Greene County Library
- March 4, Trails West Branch, Kansas City Public Library

For more information and to register, Krista Adams, Missouri State Library, 1-800-325-0131, extension 16, or go to:

<http://www.sos.mo.gov/library/development/workshop/partnerships2/>

Senate bill introduced to amend Chapter 181

In an effort to update Missouri Revised Statutes on state library rules and regulations, Senate Bill 1044 was recently introduced and assigned to the Financial and Governmental Organization, Veterans' Affairs, and Elections Committee. The bill proposes to revise the state documents depository program to become the state publications access program, thereby assuring the inclusion of electronic publications.

The bill also proposes the official creation of the Secretary's Council on Library Development, which will establish specific rules for the appointment and duties of council members. While the Council has been active for some time, adding it to the statute will assure its existence in the future.

Additional information, including bill tracking and the complete bill text, can be found at <http://www.house.state.mo.us/bills041/bills/sb1044.htm>.

Binding workshop available at Linda Hall Library

The University of Kansas is offering a one-day workshop in Missouri to educate library staff about library binding, including using the services of a commercial binder to meet library preservation goals. Workshop topics will include processing materials for binding, maintaining a good working relationship with a bindery, and strategies for making sound preservation treatment decisions.

Sponsored by the Greater Western Library Alliance (GWLA), Heckman Bindery, Archival Products, and the Association of Library Collections and Technical Services, the workshop is on Thursday, April 29, 2004, at the Linda Hall Library in Kansas City, Missouri. Fees range from \$10 for library school students and \$50 for GWLA member libraries to \$75 for non-GWLA member libraries. For registration information, contact the University of Kansas Continuing Education Department at (785) 864-5823 or toll-free at (877) 404-5823. Online registration is available at:

<http://www.kuce.org/programs/lbw/index.html>

Learn about reverse strategic planning during web cast

Join Pat Wagner for her third web cast with the Dynix Institute, <http://www.dynix.com/institute/>. Wagner, who has consulted hundreds of libraries on marketing and strategic issues, will teach participants how to improve the performance of their libraries through an effective process of Reverse Strategic Planning.

Reverse Strategic Planning is a structured method for finding out who is doing what at your library or institution, and how they prioritize their work. It provides a snapshot of reality versus what the strategic plan, organizational chart, or job description says should be happening.

View the web cast on March 24, 2004 at 8 a.m., Pacific Standard Time. Registration information can be found at <http://www.dynix.com/institute/seminars.asp>.

Postal service offers Black History Month teaching materials

In conjunction with the release of stamps honoring Paul Robeson, James Baldwin, and Wilma Rudolph, the United States Postal Service recently released a series of elementary education materials called "The Fire Within." While these materials are designed for classroom use, they could easily be adapted for youth service programming. Lesson plans revolve around studying Americans who have overcome personal and political obstacles, and will teach participants the importance of believing in their ability to achieve their dreams and positively impact the world. Materials are reproducible and can be found in pdf or text versions on the USPS Web site,

<http://www.usps.com/communications/community/classroom.htm>

Diversity resources now accessible online

The Ohio State Library recently unveiled a Web site (<http://www.olc.org/diversity/>) created to support diversity initiatives, programming, and collections in libraries, both in Ohio and beyond. Created by the Ohio Library Council's Diversity Awareness and Resources Committee, the Web site offers links to materials to help libraries serve a diverse population, including bibliographies and publishers of non-English language materials, services and materials for the disabled, programming ideas, downloadable bookmarks and calendars, bilingual public relations materials, and more.

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